WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 3523

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served July 2, 1990

Application of SOUTHEAST TRANSIT, INC., for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity --Special Operations Case No. AP-90-21

By motions filed June 27, 1990, Southeast Transit, Inc. (SEAT or applicant) requests issuance of subpoenas directed to Ms. Janice Anderson, chief of program operations and research, Office of Health Care Financing; Ms. Sherie Palm, director of social services, Rock Creek Manor Nursing Home; Mr. Jerome Weems, senior account officer, Citicorp Savings of Washington, DC; and Mr. Charles Robinson, owner, Anacostia Animal Clinic. The motion requesting issuance of subpoenas directed to Ms. Anderson and Ms. Palm states that SEAT proposes to transport patients participating in such programs as the District of Columbia's Medicaid Program and ". . . accordingly, it is necessary to subpoena representatives of such programs to testify in support of the applicant at the hearing in this matter scheduled for July 12, 1990 at 9:30 a.m." The motion requesting issuance of subpoenas directed to Mr. Jerome Weems and Mr. Charles Robinson states that SEAT proposes to transport patients participating in such programs as the District of Columbia's Medicaid program, and ". . . accordingly, it is necessary to subpoena representatives of the community to testify in support of the applicant at the hearing in this matter scheduled for July 12, 1990 at 9:30 a.m."

Commission Rule No. 18 governs issuance of subpoenas. A mere demand for a subpoena does not comply with this rule. In order for the Commission to issue subpoenas, it is necessary for applicant to show that each witness' proposed testimony is generally relevant and of reasonable scope. Applicant has failed to do this, and, therefore, both motions will be denied without prejudice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY DIRECTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE ROBERT BAMFORD:

Annette B. Garofalo

Acting Executive Director